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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Ronald W. Barrett, et al.

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Filed: September 29, 2000

For: COMPOUNDS DISPLAYED ON REPLICABLE GENETIC PACKAGES AND METHODS OF USING SAME

Examiner: Unknown

Art Unit:

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 125 as follows:

- (Once amended) A method of screening a library of compounds, comprising:
- for each compound to be screened, contacting the compound with a (a) replicable genetic package to form a plurality of replicable genetic packages displaying different compounds; and